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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Kazushi Sato et al.
Serial No. : 09/765,852
Filed : January 19, 2001
For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONVERTING
IMAGE DATA
Group No. :
Date : March 26, 2001

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

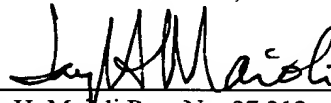
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-3, 5-19, 21, 23-25, 27, 28, 30, and 33-43 by rewriting same to read as follows.

--1. (Amended) An image data converting apparatus for converting first compressed image data to second compressed image

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